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Depending on the Ecology lead for a site, the Regional Office may refer you to Ecology Headquarters.

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## LEGEND FOR OWNER/OPERATOR SITE INFORMATION REPORT

#### I. Site ID

Unique site identification number.

## II. Site Status

A P1 or P2 in this space indicates that Ecology is planning to work on the site in the current fiscal year. State Ranking -- not yet available Site Category:

A = National Priorities List (NPL) Sites; Federal Lead. These sites are on the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) National Priorities List (NPL). They are a high priority for investigation and cleanup by EPA.

<u>B = National Priorities List Sites; State Lead.</u> Same as above except the Department of Ecology is chiefly responsible for investigation and cleanup activities at these sites.

<u>C1 = State Sites; Confirmed Hazardous Substance Sites.</u> Sites where the presence of hazardous substances has been confirmed by laboratory or field determinations. These sites require further investigation, cleanup, and monitoring. The state is responsible for assuring cleanup of these sites.

C2 = State Sites; Potential Hazardous Substance Sites. These sites have been reported to Ecology and agency staff have done an initial investigation and have determined that further investigation is necessary. These sites are either in the process of being sampled or are awaiting sampling. If hazardous substances are not found, the site will be coded "M" and will not appear on either the list of known or potential sites. If investigation reveals the presence of hazardous substances the site will be coded "C1". The state is responsible for assuring investigation of these sites.

 $\underline{L} = \underline{State \ Sites}$ ; Those Undergoing Long-Term Monitoring. Sites that have undergone cleanup (remedial action) and are being monitored to assure attainment of cleanup levels. The state is responsible for these sites.

 $\underline{\text{M}} = \text{State Sites; Those Considered Free of Contamination from } \\ \underline{\text{Hazardous Substances.}}$  With respect to the complaint under investigation, these sites did not appear to be contaminated with hazardous substances.

N = State Sites; Those For Which Cleanup Has Been Conducted under statutes other than the new hazardous waste cleanup act of 1987, 70.105B RCW or the Model Toxics Control Act.

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D = Sites For Which Cleanup is Complete Under 70.105B Or the Model Toxics Control Act.

### PLEASE NOTE

Site owners and operators do not necessarily agree with Ecology that these sites are in the appropriate category.

- III. Location Description -- Geographic Location
  Location under which Ecology groups the numerous less
  complex sites that often comprise a large complex site.
- IV. Site Status (Federal) -- EPA HRS Score
  Hazardous Ranking Score (HRS) assigned to site by the EPA.
- VI. Site Description -- Facility Activity
  Indicates whether the facility/business is operating.

VII.Waste Description -- Waste Management Practice Indicates what activities or practices are responsible for contamination at the site. There may be up to three waste management practices listed for each site.

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# HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEANUP

In November, Washington voters passed Initiative 97, the Model Toxics Control Act. The initiative, which becomes effective March 1, 1989, will replace the Hazardous Waste Cleanup Act (Ch. 70.105B RCW).

Generally, the Model Toxics Control Act will:

- Impose a .7% (or \$7 per \$1000) tax on the wholesale value of hazardous substances to fund cleanup, regulatory and citizen involvement programs.
- Allow for settlements with responsible parties to voluntarily clean up their contaminated sites.
- Provide authority for the state to conduct cleanups.
- Require that sites be cleaned up to levels at least as stringent as federal standards and all applicable state regulations.
- Provide the opportunity for public involvement through regional citizens' advisory committees and public notice before settlement agreements and enforcement orders take effect.
- Provide grant funding to eligible citizen groups that may be affected by contaminated sites or proposed waste facilities.
- Provide public funding to assist in enhancing and expediting the cleanup of contaminated sites that meet specific criteria.
- Establish financial and criminal penalties for violation of cleanup orders.
- Create a fund to help local governments pay for contaminated site cleanup and solid and hazardous waste planning, including waste reduction and recycling.
- Establish a site discovery program.
- Create a five-member Science Advisory Board to advise on technical issues.
- Allow Ecology to collect annual fees from wastewater discharge permit holders to recover its expenses for operating the state water quality regulation program.

Representatives of local government, environmental groups, small businesses, agriculture and industries are working with the Department of Ecology and the Attorney General's Office to develop rules under the initiative. Regulations that were adopted under Ch. 70.105B RCW will remain in effect until March 1, 1989.

## **ECOLOGY'S INTERIM POLICY**

During the interim period preceding the effective date of the Model Toxics Control Act, Ecology will:

- Continue negotiations with potentially liable persons for the purpose of reaching settlement agreements.
- Attempt to accommodate cleanup actions initiated by potentially liable persons.
- Provide the public with an opportunity for review and comment on all enforcement orders and petroleum site cleanups under Ch. 70.105B RCW.
- Negotiate final cleanup consent decrees to meet the requirements of the initiative.

This information is designed to give you only a basic overview of the Model Toxics Control Act and Ecology's interim strategy. Ecology recognizes that these issues are complicated. Staff members are making every effort to be responsive and help minimize confusion during this transition period.

If you have comments or questions, call Joan Pelley at (206) 438-3000.

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